

## Notes by Alexander Graham Bell, January 22, 1888

The Graphophons Copied from one of the Laboratory Note Books of Alexander Graham Bell. for L 1888, (These records may possibly be on the third floor of 1331. Probably the laboratory referred to was the old volta Bureau in Georgetown. After the sale by the Volta Graphophone Company to the American Graphophone Company, the latter probably used the laboratory until the Bridgeford factory was ready for occupancy.) Sunday, January 22d, 1888.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain of England and two English gentlemen visited laboratory of American Graphophone Co. this afternoon. Present also — Prof. Present also — Prof. Langley, Prof. Brown Goode, Mr. Chas. Bell, Mr. Sumner Tainter and Mr. Saville and myself.

The names of English friends of Mr. Chamberlain I forget. I think one was Mr. Begne and the other — I forget —. Mr. Chamberlain made a speech to the people of the 20th Century!! — followed by his two friends. The Phonautogram produced was presented to Prof. Langley for preservation in the National Museum. Prof. Langley spoke into the Phonograph and had recorded on the same phonogram his certificate that he had personally heard Mr. Chamberlain etc., speak into the Instrument — and that he — as Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution — accepted the record for preservation in the National Museum — and directed Mr. Brown Goode — Assistant Secretary of the Smithsonian in Charge of the National Museum to receive the “voices” for preservation etc.

Then Brown Goode spoke to the Instrument and formally accepted the record for preservation.

The cylinder containing the voices will be preserved in the National Museum — and perhaps 100 years after this — the voices may be reproduced.

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